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Board of Education and Library Trustees,

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{ L. S. }

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Newington qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall, in said town, on the second Tuesday of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following subjects:

1. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.
2. To choose Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of the Poor, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Superintendent of Burying Ground, Janitor of the Town Hall, Auditors, Highway Agents, and a Library Trustee.
3. To choose Measurers of Wood, Surveyors of Lumber, Fence Viewers, Pound Keeper, Fish and Game Wardens, Police Officers, and all other necessary town officers.
4. To see what sum of money the town will raise for town expenses.
5. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the repairs of highways and bridges.
6. To see if the town will give its consent to allow Rev. John W. Bell, and others, to make such alterations in the Town Meeting House, as shall be deemed by them necessary to modernize and improve the building, provided the expense shall be met by private subscription alone, and appoint a committee to act with the above named.
7. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for the maintenance of the Public Library.
8. To see what disposition the town will make of the town's lands and buildings.
9. To see if the town will vote to cut wood on the town's land for the Hall, Library, Meeting House and Poor.
10. To see what action the town will take in regard to wood for school purposes.
11. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this nineteenth day of February, 1898.

WILLIAM L. FURBER,	} Selectmen of Newington.
JOHN J. GREENOUGH,	
JOHN M. MOULTON,	

A true copy of warrant, attest:

WILLIAM L. FURBER,	} Selectmen of Newington.
JOHN J. GREENOUGH,	
JOHN M. MOULTON,	

Town Officers Chosen March, 1897.

Town Clerk, ALBERT E. HODGDON.

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor, WILLIAM L. FURBER, JOHN J. GREENOUGH, JOHN M. MOULTON.

Treasurer, JAMES W. COLEMAN.

Collector of Taxes, GILBERT P. HOYT.

Highway Agents, ROBERT H. PICKERING, WILLIAM C. PICKERING, CHARLES A. DAME.

Superintendent of Burying Ground, ENOCH COLEMAN.

Janitor of the Town Hall, HARRY DE ROCHEMONT.

Auditors, JACKSON M. HOYT, STILLMAN A. PACKARD.

Library Trustees, JOSEPHINE M. HOYT, first year ; AMANDA PICKERING, second year ; JAMES DREW, third year.

Moderator, (Chosen Nov., 1896,) VALENTINE M. COLEMAN.

Supervisors of the Checklist, (Chosen Nov., 1896,) JAMES B. PICKERING, CHARLES A. DAME, STILLMAN A. PACKARD.

Summary of Inventory.

	No.	Valuation.
Polls,	91	\$9,100
Land and buildings,		187,635
Horses,	159	9,520
Oxen,	2	100
Cows,	492	12,230
Neat stock,	28	590
Sheep,	18	54
Carriages,	1	50
Bank stock,		3,466
Stock in trade,		625
Money at interest,		1,900
1-64 of vessel,		75
Buildings not designated,		500
Total valuation,		\$225,845
Amount committed to Collector,		\$2,936 14
Rate per cent.,		.013
ABATEMENTS.		
Herbert Caswell, left town,		1 30
Patrick Quill, left town,		1 30
John E. Downing, over valuation,		1 50
		\$4 10

Selectmen's Report.

STATE AND COUNTY TAXES.

State tax,	\$545 00	
County tax,	627 45	
	<hr/>	\$1,172 45

SCHOOL MONEY.

Amount assessed,	\$545 00	
Dog money on hand, April 1, 1897,	143 10	
Literary fund.	32 24	
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	\$720 34	
Less R. Pickering's school tax,	14 49	
	<hr/>	\$705 85

Orders issued on the Treasurer by the Selectmen :

No. 1,	James Packard, interest on note,	\$30 00
2,	J. D. Randall, for printing town reports, 1897,	26 00
3,	Times Publishing Co., printing sealed proposals for new road,	4 00
4,	Ann B. Greenough, interest on note dated April 2, 1896,	25 00
5,	Frelinghuysen Moody, work and nails on Town Hall,	\$3 00
	Shingles,	1 50
	Window lines,	25
	<hr/>	4 75
6,	Ann B. Greenough, interest on note dated July 27, 1896,	15 00
7,	Times Publishing Co., printing two notices for Selectmen,	1 00
8,	Rider & Cotton, wire and staples for wire fence of the town,	14 65
9,	Josephine M. Hoyt, part of library appropriation,	50 00

No. 10, Frederick Pickering, dog money on hand for 1895 and 1896,	\$143 10
11, Ann B. Greenough, interest on note dated Dec. 3, 1896,	15 00
12, Solon A. Carter, settlement of balance of state tax,	14 04
13, Wm. O. Junkins, returning statistics,	1 25
14, Frederick Pickering, part of school money,	150 00
15, Libby & Odell, 200 cedar stakes,	8 00
16, John G. Tobey, Jr., insurance on parsonage, buildings and road machine,	12 50
17, Emma L. Rollins, wire for fence,	11 00
18, Daniel Littlefield, drain pipe for highway,	22 66
19, Josephine M. Hoyt, balance of library appro- priation,	25 00
20, Enoch Coleman, Supt. of Burying Ground,	10 00
21, Enoch Coleman, hauling posts and building wire fence,	12 50
22, Luther C. Pickering, sexton of Meeting House,	\$20 00
Repairs of lamps,	1 60
Hauling 5 cords of wood for Meeting House,	2 50
Sawing 7 cords of wood for schoolhouse,	3 50
Hauling 1 cord and sawing 2 for Library,	2 50
Chopping 17 cords of wood at 80 cents a cord,	13 60
Chopping 9 cords of wood at \$1 a cord,	9 00
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	\$52 70
23, Frederick Pickering, Board of Education,	12 00
24, Albert E. Hodgdon, services as Town Clerk,	\$15 00
Recording births, deaths and mar- riages,	2 55
Stationery and postage,	90
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	\$18 45
25, Hoyt & Dow, town supplies,	7 64
26, Wm. L. Furber, services for Selectman,	20 00
Time and expense to Concord to settle state tax,	5 00
Hauling 26 cords of wood at 50 cents a cord,	13 00
Taking Charles Robinson to Ports- mouth,	1 00

Furnishing 6 dinners to Selectmen,	\$2 10	
One day's extra work,	1 50	
Paper and postage,	1 00	
	<hr/>	\$43 60
27, John J. Greenough, services as Select-		
man,	\$15 00	
One day's extra work,	1 50	
	<hr/>	\$16 50
28, John M. Moulton, services as Select-		
man,	\$15 00	
One day's extra work,	1 50	
Material and labor repairing wood house,		
fence and town's barn,	3 00	
Moving safe,	2 50	
	<hr/>	\$22 00
29, Jas. W. Coleman, interest on Demeritt fund,	6 00	
30, City of Portsmouth, R. Pickering's school tax,	14 49	
31, Frederick Pickering, balance of school		
money,	\$380 51	
Literary fund,	32 24	
	<hr/>	\$412 75
32, James B. Pickering, Supervisor of Checklist,		
1897,	5 00	
33, Clarence M. de Rochemont, 6 dinners fur-		
nished Selectmen, 1896,	3 00	
34, S. A. Packard, Supervisor of Checklist, 1897,	5 00	
35, Chas. A. Dame, Supervisor of Checklist, 1897,	5 00	
36, Gilbert P. Hoyt, services as Tax Col-		
lector,	\$30 00	
Tax bills, printed,	1 00	
	<hr/>	\$31 00
37, Gilbert P. Hoyt, member of Board of Health,	5 00	
38, James W. Coleman, Treasurer,	10 00	
39, James W. Coleman, member of Board of		
Health,	2 00	
40, John M. Moulton, member of Board of		
Health,	3 00	
41, Jackson M. Hoyt and Stillman A. Packard,		
Auditors' fees,	2 00	
42, John W. Kelly, preparing larceny case,	5 00	
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Total amount of foregoing orders,	\$1,277 58	
Total amount of highway orders,	1,250 49	
State tax,	545 00	

County tax,	\$627 45
Damage done by dogs,	21 00
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Total amount expended,	\$3,721 52

DEMANDS AGAINST THE TOWN.

James Packard's note, dated March 1, 1896,	\$600 00
Ann B. Greenough's note, dated April 2, 1896,	500 00
Ann B. Greenough's note, dated July 27, 1896,	300 00
Ann B. Greenough's note, date Dec. 3, 1896,	300 00
S. D. F. Demerritt, cemetery trust fund,	200 00
Woodbury Langdon, Library trust fund,	1,000 00
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	\$2,900 00
Less balance in Treasurer's hands,	100 54
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Total indebtedness,	\$2,799 46

The foregoing is a true statement of the financial affairs of the town for the year ending Feb. 15, 1898.

WILLIAM L. FURBER,	}	Selectmen
JOHN J. GREENOUGH,		of
JOHN M. MOULTON,		Newington.

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts of the Selectmen, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

JACKSON M. HOYT,	}	Auditors.
STILLMAN A. PACKARD,		

Highways.

The amount of money raised for the repairs of highways and bridges, and committed to the Board of Highways Agents to be worked out under their supervision, was \$564 67.

Orders received from the Agents by the Selectmen, and duplicated by them with orders on the Treasurer, were as follows :

FROM ROBERT H. PICKERING, HIGHWAY AGENT.

No. 1,	Joseph H. Hoyt,	\$5 28
2,	Albert H. Garland,	4 80
3,	Enoch Coleman,	11 76
4,	William T. Brown,	3 20
5,	Isaac F. Jenness,	4 80
6,	Joseph H. Hoyt,	1 60
7,	Willard A. Brown,	3 20
8,	Charles H. Pickering,	39 36
9,	Robert H. Pickering,	12 40
10,	John S. Pickering,	20 80
11,	John S. Pickering,	1 00
12,	Thomas B. Hoyt,	15 60
13,	John J. Greenough,	20 48
14,	Albert H. Garland,	1 60
15,	Joseph S. Hoyt,	11 80
16,	Thomas Newick,	19 75
17,	James Quill,	6 40
18,	J. H. Leavitt,	10 40
19,	Enoch Coleman,	4 35
20,	Robert H. Pickering,	3 00
21,	Gilbert P. Hoyt,	22 60
		\$224 18

WINTER TAX.

22,	Charles H. Pickering,	\$1 04
23,	John S. Pickering,	4 00
24,	John J. Greenough,	4 16
25,	George Godley,	2 24

26, Robert H. Pickering,	\$6 00
27, Charles H. Pickering,	7 84
28, Isaac F. Jenness,	3 84
29, Gilbert P. Hoyt,	3 76
30, Joseph H. Hoyt,	3 52
31, Thomas Newick,	9 04
32, Charles Hodgdon,	2 16
33, George Howe,	1 52
34, Thomas B. Hoyt,	6 64
35, George Pace,	1 40
36, William T. Brown,	16
37, Charles A. Badger,	17 08
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	\$74 40

FROM WILLIAM C. PICKERING, HIGHWAY AGENT.

No. 1, Luther C. Pickering,	8 00
2, Albert H. Garland,	4 00
3, Jackson M. Hoyt,	4 00
4, Jackson M. Hoyt,	2 40
5, Frederick W. de Rochemont,	8 00
6, Harry de Rochemont,	75
7, Asa H. Wentworth,	3 20
8, Darius Frink,	13 90
9, Charles A. Dame,	7 90
10, Charles A. Dame,	2 16
11, William L. Furber,	5 60
12, John M. Moulton,	8 10
13, Norman Beane,	9 90
14, Norman Beane,	1 80
15, Joshua B. Pickering,	9 60
16, Frederick Pickering,	9 00
17, Enoch Coleman,	11 00
18, Cyrus Frink,	9 60
19, Cyrus Frink,	1 80
20, Thomas F. Pickering,	9 00
21, James B. Pickering,	5 20
22, James Wm. Hoyt,	9 36
23, Alexander Archibald,	8 60
24, Joseph Stopford, Jr.,	1 60
25, John W. Towle,	4 00
26, John Knight,	1 28
27, Charles A. Hodgdon,	4 80
28, Charles A. Hodgdon,	2 40
29, George H. Howe,	3 20

30, Amos Dame,	\$4 50
31, Benjamin S. Hoyt,	1 60
32, Edward F. Brown,	2 40
33, Charles H. Allard,	3 70
34, William C. Pickering,	14 00
35, William C. Pickering,	3 50
36, William T. Brown,	1 60
37, Israel A. Neill,	7 20
	<hr/> \$208 65

WINTER TAX.

38, Luther C. Pickering,	\$ 96
39, Albert H. Garland,	56
40, Frederick W. de Rochemont,	2 60
41, Enoch Coleman,	1 04
42, John W. Towle,	48
43, Joseph Stopford, Jr.,	2 24
44, Arthur L. Brooks,	5 76
45, Alfred L. Brooks,	6 08
46, Alexander Archibald,	5 20
47, Luther C. Pickering,	7 04
48, E. S. F. Pickering,	3 28
49, William L. Furber,	5 92
50, Albert E. Hodgdon,	3 68
51, Thomas F. Pickering,	3 00
52, James B. Pickering,	2 88
53, Cyrus Frink,	4 32
54, John W. Towle,	3 44
55, Enoch Coleman,	12 40
56, Albert H. Garland,	6 24
57, Jackson M. Hoyt,	1 44
58, Frelinghuysen Moody,	3 68
59, Amanda Pickering,	2 56
60, Patrick McDonough,	1 28
61, R. S. Margeson,	5 12
62, William C. Pickering,	11 44
63, J. William Bell,	40
64, Alfred Terris,	48
65, Frederick Pickering,	6 52
66, Albert C. Pickering,	1 28
	<hr/> \$111 32

FROM CHARLES A. DAME, HIGHWAY AGENT.

No. 1, Clarence M. de Rochemont,	\$12 60
2, Joseph S. Stopford,	2 40

3, Israel A. Neill,	\$10 80
4, Harvey Downing,	3 20
5, Edward F. Brown,	9 60
6, Patrick McDonough,	1 60
7, Valentine M. Coleman,	20 40
8, Jackson M. Hoyt,	3 20
9, James W. Coleman,	14 40
10, James W. Coleman,	19 12
11, Frank Whidden,	5 20
12, Granville W. Knox,	18 60
13, Daniel W. Badger,	7 84
14, Daniel W. Badger,	10 20
15, Albert H. Garland,	4 80
16, Enoch Coleman,	8 80
17, Benjamin S. Hoyt,	4 80
18, Benjamin S. Hoyt,	12 20
19, L. C. Beane,	16 00
20, L. C. Beane,	19 20
21, Florence Hoyt,	4 20
22, Frederick W. de Rochemont,	13 60
23, Frederick W. de Rochemont,	15 20
24, Darius Frink,	11 60
25, Darius Frink,	17 60
26, Albert C. Pickering,	14 20
27, Frederick Pickering,	80
28, Joseph W. Whidden,	3 60
29, William C. Laws,	3 20
30, Stillman A. Packard,	2 60
31, Harrison Downing,	3 20
32, John W. Towle,	2 40
33, William T. Brown,	1 60
34, Edward T. Downing,	6 60
35, Richard P. Hoyt,	2 40
36, William C. Pickering,	1 60
37, Luther C. Pickering,	1 60
38, Richard P. Hoyt,	1 60
39, Asa H. Wentworth,	1 56
40, William T. Brown,	96
41, Charles A. Dame,	22 40
42, Charles A. Dame,	16 20
43, Charles A. Dame,	5 65
44, Lewis L. de Rochemont,	7 00
45, Lewis L. de Rochemont,	10 40
46, Isaac Dow,	6 90

47, Frank L. Whidden,	\$3 20
48, Albert Durgin,	1 60
49, Joseph Boss,	3 90
50, Amanda Pickering,	1 60
51, Lewis L. de Rochemont,	7 20
52, Albert C. Pickering,	8 20
53, Amos Dame,	11 60
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	\$420 93

WINTER TAX.

54, Lorenzo D. Spinney,	\$6 00
55, Amanda Pickering,	3 36
56, Frederick W. de Rochemont,	4 96
57, James H. Coleman,	5 12
58, N. P. Coleman,	4 64
59, Daniel W. Badger,	8 50
60, Albert Durgin,	5 28
61, John M. Moulton,	2 24
62, John Alexander,	4 80
63, Darius Frink,	3 84
64, Harrison Downing,	3 84
65, Isaac Dow,	3 36
66, Edward T. Downing,	3 84
67, Richard P. Hoyt,	3 84
68, John Mugford,	1 60
69, Henry H. Downing,	1 04
70, Ira W. Witham,	2 56
71, William C. Laws,	5 12
72, Edward F. Brown,	4 00
73, Charles W. Coleman,	4 48
74, James H. Knox,	6 32
75, A. K. P. Googins,	2 88
76, Benjamin S. Hoyt,	7 00
77, James W. Coleman,	4 12
78, James A. Hoyt,	3 36
79, Jackson M. Hoyt,	4 00
80, Patrick McDonough,	3 52
81, Charles A. Dame,	7 70
82, Fred Ham,	3 20
83, Clarence M. de Rochemont,	2 56
84, Stillman A. Packard,	1 60
85, Andrew J. Cole,	4 00
86, Edward Downing,	4 00
87, Albert C. Pickering,	7 68
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	\$144 36

Orders from the Board of Highway Agents of 1896, for labor performed, were ordered paid, as follows :

ROBERT H. PICKERING, HIGHWAY AGENT.

No. 1, Joseph H. Leavitt,	\$14 35	
2, Charles A. Badger,	11 36	
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ISRAEL A. NEILL, HIGHWAY AGENT.

No. 1, Israel A. Neill,	\$3 00	
2, John W. Towle,	4 80	
3, Henry Beane,	5 20	
	<hr/>	\$13 00

ENOCHE COLEMAN, HIGHWAY AGENT.

No. 1, Albert C. Pickering,	\$7 80	
2, Thomas Keefe,	2 88	
3, Isaac Dow,	2 90	
4, Benjamin S. Hoyt,	1 36	
5, Valentine M. Coleman,	2 00	
6, Enoch Coleman,	2 60	
7, Albert C. Pickering,	2 00	
8, Charles A. Dame,	6 08	
	<hr/>	\$27 62

AMOS DAME, HIGHWAY AGENT, 1895.

No. 1, Arthur Call,	\$.32	
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School Report.

The Newington School Board have the honor to present their annual report for the school year ending Aug. 1st, 1897.

It is our desire to note the principal lines of progress during the past year, and make such suggestions for the new year's work as will put the citizens of the town in closer touch and sympathy with the school work.

We believe that, in the thirty-seven school weeks of the year now past, there have been four distinctive lines of advancement in the school.

1. The employment, during the winter term, of an assistant teacher to take charge of the primary grades.

This insures the little ones that attention and guidance necessary to the accomplishment of satisfactory "busy-work" writing and story telling, so much a part of the child life. The principal was thus enabled to devote her time to the more advanced pupils, who attend school during the winter term only, and leading among other things to

2. The Study of Parliamentary Law.

A good beginning was made along this line. Inspired by the teacher, the boys and girls realized the practicability of this study, and entered into the spirit of it with such dignity and enthusiasm that the School Board wish that every parent might have had the pleasure of visiting this recitation.

3. Vertical writing was introduced in January, and although experts differ greatly as to the advisability of its use, we feel that we can say it has proved here, as in many other New England schools, a success.

4. The employment of a music teacher, who spends an hour each week in the school, taking the primary scholars the first

fifteen minutes of her stay then the whole school for the remainder of the hour.

We realize the difficulty of obtaining satisfactory results, so long as all pupils from the first to the ninth grades are confined to one recitation period. The plan of taking the younger ones first has, in part, accomplished our aim.

Next year we hope to have two-part singing, and the children able to read simple exercises in four sharps and four flats.

During the year new Music Readers, Frye's Primary Geography, and Our World Readers, by Miss Hall, have been placed in the school, also a fine globe and dictionary.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK PICKERING, }
FLORENCE HOYT, } *School Board.*
MARTHA COLEMAN, }

TABLE OF GENERAL STATISTICS.

Term.	Name of Teacher.	No of weeks.	Wages per month.	No. of scholars.	Average daily attendance.	Percentage daily atten.	No. in Reading.	No. in Spelling.	No. in Penmanship.	No. in Arithmetic.	No. in Geography.	No. in Grammar.	No. in History.	No. in Composition.	No. in Civics.	No. in Physiology.	No. in Vocal Music.	No. in Book-keeping.	No. in Algebra.	No. in Geometry.
Fall.	Hattie M. Hook.	11	\$45	39	31	.86	11	39	39	39	19	21	9	2	9	10		3	5	1
Winter.	Hattie M. Hook.	16	45	46	33	.80	49	47	47	47	20	27	11	2	16	14	47	6	4	1
Spring.	Lydia Coleman.		20																	
	Hattie M. Hook.	10	45	34	30	.90	90	34	34	34	34	20	20	17			34	1	4	

Number of scholars not less than five years of age who have attended school not less than two weeks, 50.

Number of children between 5 and 15 not attending school, 4.

Number of children in town reported, boys, 27 ; girls, 24.

Number of visits by school board, 17.

Number of visits by citizens, 67.

Financial Report of the School Board of Newington, for the year
ending August 1, 1897.

RECEIPTS.

Cash in treasury, Aug. 1, 1896,	\$147 61
School money,	529 46
Literary fund,	32 20
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	\$709 27

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Janitor for use of Town Hall,	\$1 00
Miss Hook, teaching 11 weeks, at \$11 25,	123 75
Frederick Pickering, Treasurer and supplies,	3 20
Miss Hook, teaching 4 months, at \$45,	180 00
Lydia Coleman, teaching 4 months, at \$20,	80 00
Lydia Coleman, services as clerk,	2 00
Calvin Page, defending de Rochemont bill,	26 90
Frederick Pickering, defending de Rochemont bill,	4 68
Miss Hook, for express, etc.,	1 25
Henry Beane, Auditor,	50
Mrs. McDonough, cleaning school house,	6 25
For supplies,	26 87
F. Moody, labor and stock,	4 30
Miss Hook, teaching 10 weeks, at \$11 25,	112 50
Miss Lucy Hoyt, teaching music,	20 00
Cash on hand,	116 07

\$709 27

FREDERICK PICKERING, }
FLORENCE HOYT, } *School Board.*
MARTHA COLEMAN, }

I hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing accounts of the Newington School Board and find them correctly cast and with proper vouchers for all expenditures.

EDITH G. HOYT.

Langdon Public Library.

SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES.

In offering this report and account of our stewardship as trustees of the Langdon Library for the year ending February 15, 1898, we desire to acknowledge that the year just closed has given us a clearer conception of the importance, as an educator, of having such opportunities for reading and reference free to all.

It has been the aim of the Board so to administer this important trust that the library may speedily grow into the affections of our whole people ; and the directors trust to the steady growth of this sentiment for increased facilities for instruction and recreation, and for friendly legislation in its behalf. Every citizen should regard this as his own library, and should feel that he contributes directly or indirectly to its support.

The library offers its patrons the best society in the world. Entering its doors one is at once surrounded by the good and the great of all times, all inviting him to accept their service. That library must be considered largely a failure which does not attract and uplift the manual toiler, as well as aid the student.

The library has been likened to a laboratory, a workshop, a school, a university, offering free to everyone the opportunity to obtain knowledge, to educate himself, and to enjoy the highest literary productions.

The tendency with those who are unaccustomed to patronizing a library is to regard the drawing and returning of books at stated times as too much of a bother, and with this

class there is danger that the library may fail to exert the influence it could and should.

Everything should be done to make the library so inviting that those who can be induced to avail themselves of its privileges once will desire to come again and again.

The librarian exists not to keep books on the shelves unused, but to give them out generously, and not only to give books to the people, but to bring people to the books. The successful librarian will divine what patrons want, and see that they get it.

Some of the plans of the Board for enhancing the usefulness and attractiveness of the library, mentioned in their last report, have been carried out, and others have been undertaken, but not yet accomplished.

The advantages derived from the additional room secured by the alterations fully warrant the expenditure.

New furniture has been purchased for this room, and a large book stack for the reception of bulky volumes, that have never been properly shelved, has recently been constructed, and will prove a great convenience.

Various means of lighting the building have been considered but no definite arrangements have been concluded.

The most important work accomplished by the trustees during the year has been the choice, from the multitude of books published, of the hundred new books most needed to supplement our collection.

In making their selection they have also aimed to build up the different departments in due proportion, buying books that are simply popular very cautiously.

The long felt want for comprehensive geographical and biographical books of reference has been supplied.

A large proportion of the sum expended has been designed to enrich the juvenile department, both in bound volumes and in periodicals.

Realizing that it is always through children that the best work is done for uplifting any community, and in order that our youngest children may learn to love books from their ear-

liest recollection, the age limit for taking out cards is abolished, and the supply of nursery books bound in linen for those too young to read has been replenished.

The supplement appended to this report shows valuable and varied accessions to other departments.

A perplexing problem that confronts library directors is the determining of what books will best serve the needs of the patrons of their particular library, and no one unfamiliar with the conditions is capable of judging. The scholar and the crank would perhaps prefer that fiction be excluded. One wants nothing but fiction, the very latest, and the more it is condemned the more it is desired.

It is the experience of many librarians that boys are more inclined to read history, biography, travel, and science, while girls are prone to content themselves with silly, sentimental, sensational novels.

A librarian's success should be largely measured by her ability to induce persons who do not now read good books to select habitually those of high literary merit, especially in fiction.

A summary of reports from more than two hundred libraries was of much help in making our selection.

A few items of general interest culled from the report of a large library in one of our western cities may prove of special value to our patrons.

Lists of books of fiction that have been drawn most frequently during the past eight years show that *Les Misérables* stands among the first three or four in every list, this book having been issued 1216 times in less than two years, seventy copies being in constant circulation.

Vanity Fair, *Scarlet Letter*, and *Ben Hur* appear in all lists. *Ivanhoe*, *Count of Monte Cristo*, *David Copperfield* and *Uncle Tom's Cabin* stand next in popularity.

Well up in the lists are *Mill on the Floss*, *Romola*, *Adam Bede*, *Lorna Doone* and *Marble Faun*. All these books, the report says, will continue to instruct and delight future generations, after the half-educated readers of to-day shall have been

educated above the trashy productions of many less wholesome authors.

Among most popular juveniles, St. Nicholas, Tom Sawyer, Little Women, Old-Fashioned Girl, Jack Hazard, Under the Lilacs, Little Men, Andersen's Fairy Tales, Eight Cousins, and Rose in Bloom, constitute the leading ten.

The State Board of Library Commissioners calls attention to the desirability of securing for our town libraries a museum collection. Thus far the trustees have been deterred from making much progress in this direction, though this undertaking has been a prominent purpose with the board from the organization of the library.

An interesting addition to the library in a neighboring city is the gift of two large albums, containing likenesses of about two hundred fifty citizens prominent in the place a generation ago. Such a collection, whose historic value is unquestioned, has been a favorite project of our trustees for some years, and it is hoped donations for this purpose, will be forthcoming. An album will be furnished as soon as the response to this appeal warrants its purchase.

Co-operation among libraries is one of the forward movements of the day.

In order to increase their efficiency, library directors need to acquaint themselves with the most practical methods of other libraries. No better way to promote this knowledge can be recommended than active membership in an association consisting of trustees and librarians from all parts of our state, and sharing in the responsibility of making these organizations a potent force.

The citizens of Newington are reminded of their rights and privileges in the State Library, the trustees of which have made arrangements to lend books in the miscellaneous department of that library to any citizen of the state upon application of local librarians.

This action gives to our people access to many books, particularly in genealogy, theology, and medicine, supplemental to

our collection, which is already well supplied in the departments of natural science, travel, history, biography, and general literature, which are also included in the list furnished by the state.

In many of our largest cities old systems of shelving in alcoves are constantly being abandoned, and free access to books is offered to patrons, only the walls being shelved, and the librarian commanding a view of all the books in the room at a glance. An actual row of books with permission to examine them is conceded to be worth more than the best catalogue.

The disadvantage of liability to disorder on the shelves is far outweighed by the educational advantage of direct contact with books, and much valuable time is profitably occupied which would otherwise be spent in idle waiting. Our library, which has always conferred this privilege, would speedily retrograde under the old system.

Taken all in all the people of Newington have just reason to be proud of their library building, proud of their collection of books; and they should hold in high regard the services of the successive library boards, who have labored without stint to bring the library to the highest point of excellence attainable within their means.

In conclusion we would say that sincere devotion to the interests committed to their care, and a spirit of mutual confidence and harmony have been manifested in all the members of the Board, and proven by earnest attention to all the details of the work.

The patronage our library has received signifies a due appreciation of the painstaking efficiency of our librarian.

JAMES M. DREW,	}	<i>Board of Trustees.</i>
JOSEPHINE M. HOYT,		
AMANDA PICKERING,		

Librarian, FAITH S. PICKERING.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

CASH RECEIVED.

Cash on hand, Feb. 15, 1897.....	\$8 51	
Interest on Langdon fund.....	60 00	
Town appropriation	15 00	
Historic plank.....	50	
Fines collected.....	56	
Total,		\$84 57

CASH EXPENDED.

Librarian's services	\$39 00	
Janitor, balance for 1896-7.....	1 25	
Library supplies.....	2 57	
Rebinding 24 volumes.....	5 28	
Periodicals for reading table.....	24 62	
Carpentry, painting, stock and teaming...	10 15	
Amount on hand.....	1 70	
Total,		\$84 57

From the sum of \$500, donated by Mr. Langdon, March 12, 1896, the trustees expended \$190, in remodeling the interior. During the past year they have withdrawn \$108 29 for books, and \$41 71 for furnishings, including bookstacks.

Twenty periodicals, enumerated below, are regularly supplied for the reading table, five being furnished by local societies or individuals.

WEEKLIES.

Harper's Weekly.	Frank Leslie's Weekly.
Harper's Bazar.	Christian Endeavor World.
Literary Digest.	Prairie Farmer.
Youth's Companion.	Union Signal.
New England Farmer.	Congregationalist.
The Housekeeper (bi-weekly.)	

MONTHLIES.

Review of Reviews.	American Poultry Journal.
St. Nicholas.	Kitchen Magazine.
Frank Leslie's.	Child Garden.
McClure's.	Ladies' Home Journal (2 copies.)
Popular Educator.	Woman's World.

GIFTS.

BOUND VOLUMES.

Illustrated London News, 1896-97, Woodbury Langdon.
 Triumph of Reform, Woodbury Langdon.
 Contemporary American Biography, (2 volumes,) Woodbury Langdon.
 Prominent Families of New York, Woodbury Langdon.

History of the Polish Revolution, Mrs. Frank Pickering.
 Obituary Notices on the Death of Daniel Webster, Mrs. Frank Pickering.
 Semi-Centennial of Manchester, N. H., 1896, Wm. C. Clarke.
 Who Invented the Reaper? Publishers.
 Interstate Commerce Commission, National Report, J. H. Gallinger.
 Smithsonian Report of National Museum, J. H. Gallinger.
 Education, National Report, (2 volumes,) J. H. Gallinger.
 Biennial Report of Library Commissioners, J. H. Whittier.

YEARLY SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR READING TABLE.

Ladies' Home Journal, Reapers' Circle.
 McClure's Magazine, Shakespeare Club.
 Christian Endeavor World, Y. P. S. C. E.
 Union Signal, W. C. T. U.
 New England Farmer, Piscataqua Grange.
 Congregationalist, E. A. Pickering.
 Woman's World, Amanda Pickering.

MISCELLANEOUS GIFTS.

Report of Dover Public Library, Librarian.
 Report of St. Louis Library, Librarian.
 Report of Rochester Library, (2 copies,) Librarian.
 Supplement to Catalogue of Dover Library, Caroline E. Garland.
 Bimetalism, Wm. E. Chandler.
 Monthly Bulletins for 1897, Somerville Library, J. S. Hayes.
 Memorial of Berwick Academy, Ella Ricker.
 Program of Greenacre Lectures, Corinne Coleman.
 Munsey's Magazine for August, Florence Drew.
 Illustrated Calendar, 1897, Youth's Companion.
 Free Travelling Libraries in Wisconsin, Library Commissioners.
 Proceeds from sale of historic plank, Dr. Pickering.
 The Bookman, January, 1898, Publishers.
 Quarterly Book Review, (April and July,) Publishers.
 Shore gravel for paths, John M. Moulton.
 Annual Report of City of Portsmouth, City.
 Brass clasps for slips, Martha Coleman.
 Brass clasps for slips, Florence Drew.

LIBRARY STATISTICS.

Days open to the public.....	52
Total attendance.....	2046
Average attendance.....	40
Largest attendance, Oct. 9.....	57
Smallest attendance, Nov. 20.....	26
Month of greatest attendance, October.....	242
Month of smallest attendance, March....	130
Largest circulation, Oct. 9.....	427
Borrowers registered to date	344
Non-resident visitors to date.....	374
Number of bound volumes.....	2205
Periodicals regularly supplied.....	22

Supplement to Catalogue.

AMERICAN HISTORY.

Allen, Willis Boyd, A Son of Liberty,	40.99
Brewster, Charles W., Rambles about Portsmouth, Vol. I,	40.102
“ “ “ “ “ Vol. II,	40.103
Eastman, H. W., (Comp.,) Semi-Centennial of Manchester, N. H.,	40.101
Walker, Gen. Frances A., The Making of the Nation,	40.100

AMERICAN BIOGRAPHY.

Douglass, Frederick, Life and Times Of; written by himself,	60.72
Earle, Alice Morse, Margaret Winthrop,	60.73
Weeks, L. H., Contemporary American Biography, Vol. II,	60.74
Triumph of Reform,	60.75
Prominent Families of New York,	60.76
Webster, Daniel, Obituary Addresses on Death of,	60.77

FOREIGN HISTORY.

Hordynski, Joseph, History of the Polish Revolution,	30.150
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FOREIGN BIOGRAPHY.

Arnold, Sir Edwin, Victoria, Queen and Empress, 60 years,	70.115
Barrie, J. M., Margaret Ogilvie,	70.131
Rolfe, Wm. J., Shakespeare, the Boy.	70.129

GENERAL BIOGRAPHY.

Andrews, Jane, Ten Boys,	70.132
Bolton, S. K., Famous Givers and Their Gifts,	70.130

ARTS AND SCIENCES.

Andrews, Jane, Each and All,	50.139
Seven Little Sisters,	50.140
Stories Mother Nature Told,	50.141
Atkinson, Philip, Electricity for Everybody,	50.143
Burroughs, John, A Year in the Fields,	50.144
Burt, Mary E , Little Nature Studies for Little People, Vol. I,	50.145
“ “ “ “ “ “ Vol. II,	50.146
Chambers, G. F., The Story of the Stars,	50.149
Drummond, Henry, The Ascent of Man,	50.150
Gibson, L. H., Convenient Houses,	50.151
Beautiful Houses,	50.152
Gibson, W. H., Eye Spy : or afield with nature among flowers and animate things,	50.153
Mann, Edward, Rights and Duties of American Citizens,	50.154
Martin, E. A., Story of a Piece of Coal,	50.155
Miller, Olive Thorne, Upon the Treetops.	50.156

Riis, Jacob, <i>How the Other Half Lives</i> ,	50.157
Robinson, R. E., <i>In New England Fields and Woods</i> ,	50.158
Swift, R. B., <i>Who Invented the Reaper ?</i>	50.142
Detmers, H. J., <i>Contagious Diseases of Domesticated Animals</i> ,	50.159

FICTION.

Barrie, J. M., <i>Sentimental Tommy</i> ,	16 B 3
<i>Window in Thrums</i> ,	16 B 4
<i>My Lady Nicotine</i> ,	16 B 5
Bayley, (Edna Lyall,) <i>Doreen</i> ,	17 B 7
Bellamy, Edward, <i>Equality</i> ,	5 B 2
Black, Wm , <i>In Far Lochaber</i> ,	18 B 1
<i>Shandon Bells</i> ,	18 B 2
<i>Princess of Thule</i> ,	18 B 3
Brown, Helen, <i>Little Miss Phoebe Gay</i> ,	19 B 1
Burnett, Frances H., <i>That Lass o' Lowrie's</i> ,	6 B 6
<i>Two Little Pilgrims' Progress</i> ,	6 B 6
Caine, Hall, <i>The Manxman</i> ,	12 C 3
Clemens, S. L., (Mark Twain,) <i>Following the Equator</i> ,	9 C 6
Coffin, C. C., <i>Daughters of the Revolution</i> ,	23 C 1
Cox, Palmer, <i>Brownies ; Their Book</i> ,	11 C 1
<i>Another Brownie Book</i> ,	11 C 2
<i>Brownies Through the Union</i> ,	11 C 3
<i>Brownies Around the World</i> ,	11 C 4
<i>Brownies at Home</i> ,	11 C 5
Dodge, Mary M., <i>The Land of Pluck</i> ,	12 D 1
Hale, E. E., <i>Man Without a Country</i> ,	14 H 3
Harris, Joel Chandler, <i>Sister Jane</i> ,	10 H 1
Holley, Marietta, <i>Samantha in Europe</i> ,	4 H 4
<i>Samantha at the World's Fair</i> ,	4 H 5
Jewett, Sarah Orne, <i>The Country of the Pointed Firs</i> ,	1 J 11
King, Charles, <i>A Tame Surrender</i> ,	3 K 4
<i>An Army Wife</i> ,	3 K 5
<i>A Garrison Tangle</i> ,	3 K 6
Kipling, Rudyard, <i>Captains Courageous</i> ,	4 K 4
McLean, Sally, <i>Cape Cod Folks</i> ,	5 M 1
Mundt, Clara M , (Louisa Muhlbach.) <i>Napoleon and the Queen</i> <i>of Prussia</i> ,	9 M 1
<i>The Empress Josephine</i> ,	9 M 2
<i>Napoleon and Blucher</i> ,	9 M 3
<i>Queen Hortense</i> ,	9 M 4
<i>Marie Antoinette and Her Son</i> ,	9 M 5
<i>Prince Eugene and His Times</i> ,	9 M 6
<i>The Daughter of an Empress</i> ,	9 M 7
<i>Joseph II. and His Court</i> ,	9 M 8
<i>Frederick the Great and His Court</i> ,	9 M 9
<i>Frederick the Great and His Family</i> ,	9 M 10
<i>Berlin and Sans-Souci</i> ,	9 M 11
<i>Goethe and Schiller</i> ,	9 M 12
<i>The Merchant of Berlin</i> ,	9 M 13
<i>Louisa of Prussia and Her Times</i> ,	9 M 14
<i>Old Fritz and the New Era</i> ,	9 M 15
<i>Andreas Hofer</i> ,	9 M 16
<i>Mohammed Ali and His House</i> ,	9 M 17
<i>Henry VIII. and Catherine Parr</i> .	9 M 18

Perry, Nora, Three Little Daughters of the Revolution,	4 P 1
Ralph, Julian, People We Pass,	8 R 1
Stevenson, R. L., Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde,	8 S 2
Watson, John, (Ian Maclaren,) Kate Carnegie,	9 W 1
Beside the Bonnie Brier Bush,	9 W 2
Ward, Elizabeth Stuart Phelps, Dr. Zay,	14 W 1
A Singular Life,	14 W 2
Friends,	14 W 3
The Story of Avis,	14 W 4
White, Eliza O., When Molly Was Six,	12 W 1
Wiggin, Kate D., Marm Lisa,	2 W 6
Watkins, Mary E., Jerome, the Poor Boy,	5 W 4
Wright, Mrs. Mabel O., Tommy Anne and the Three Hearts,	13 W 1
Nursery Books, linen covers.	

POETRY.

Foss, Sam Walter, Whiffs from Wild Meadows,	80 73
Poems in Homespun,	80.74
Havergal, Frances R., Poems,	80.75
Sangster, Margaret, Little Knights and Ladies,	80.76
Thaxter, Celia, Poems,	80.77

LITERATURE.

Burdette, R. J., Before He's Twenty,	90.92
Bok, Edward, Successward,	90.95
Chester, Eliza, Chats with Girls on Self-Culture,	90.83
Lamb, Charles and Mary, Tales from Shakespeare,	90.93
Marden, O. S., Pushing to the Front,	90.84
Success,	90.85
Architects of Fate,	90.86
Meyer, Anna, Woman's Work in America,	90.87
Sanborn, Kate, Wit of Women,	90.88
Adopting An Abandoned Farm,	90.89
Abandoning an Adopted Farm,	90.90
A Truthful Woman in Southern California,	90.94
Scripture, E. W., Thinking, Feeling, Doing,	90.91

RELIGION.

Brooks, Phillips, Essays and Addresses,	100.12
Drummond, Henry, Natural Law in the Spiritual World,	100.13

ADDRESSES.

Watson, John, (Ian Maclaren,) Mind of the Master,	100.15
Wright, Wm. B., Master and Men, or the Sermon on the Mountain Practised on the Plain,	100.16

REFERENCE.

Lippincott Co., (Pub.,) Biographical Dictionary,	10.60
Gazetteer of the World,	10.61

REPORTS.

Tenth Annual Report of Interstate Commerce Commission.	
National Report of Commissioner of Education, (2 volumes.)	
Smithsonian Report of National Museum, 1890, (1 volume.)	

BOUND PERIODICALS.

Illustrated London News, 1886, (2 volumes.)	
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Treasurer's Report.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand, Feb. 15, 1897,	\$157 54
Savings bank tax,	456 97
Railroad tax,	41 75
Literary fund,	32 24
Dog license,	76 80
Rent of town house,	23 00
Rent of town hall, less repairs,	15 72
Rent of town pasture,	10 00
Lots sold in cemetery,	76 00
From Collector of Taxes,	2932 04
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	\$3822 06

PAID.

State tax,	\$545 00
County tax,	627 45
Orders of Selectmen,	2549 07
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	\$3721 52

Cash on hand, Feb. 15, 1898, \$100 54

JAMES W. COLEMAN, *Treasurer.*

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing report and find it properly vouched and correctly cast.

JACKSON M. HOYT. }
STILLMAN A. PACKARD, } *Auditors.*

Insurance on Town's Property.

The policy on the town hall, schoolhouse and meeting house, expires January 1st, 1899.

The policy on the public library and books expires March 15, 1899.

The policy on the old parsonage house, barn and road machine, expires January 1st, 1901.

Amount paid for wire used near highway :

For amount used against town's land,	\$14 65	
Paid Emma L. Rollins,	11 00	
	<hr/>	\$25 65

Dog Account.

Number of dogs licensed, 36—4 being females.

Amount of dog license, less Clerk's fees, \$76 80

Bills paid from the dog account :

William C. Laws, 2 hens,	\$1 00	
Elizabeth J. Peverly, 3 hens,	1 50	
William L. Furber, 1 hen,	50	
Charles H. Pickering, 1 hen,	50	
Charles H. Pickering, 1 duck,	75	
Frederick Pickering, 6 ducks,	4 50	
Woodbury Langdon, 8 ducks,	8 00	
Postals and printing notices,	1 25	
Constable's fees,	3 00	
	<hr/>	\$21 00
License on hand,		<hr/> \$55 80

Report of Overseers of the Poor.

One more is added to the list of five consecutive years, mentioned in last year's report, in which no demand has been made on the town for the poor.

WILLIAM L. FURBER, *Chairman.*

Police Department.

At our last annual town meeting the following officers were elected :

James Drew, at the P. & D. R. R. station.

Luther C. Pickering, at the church.

Harry de Rochemont, at the hall, and

Albert H. Garland.

Each officer is furnished with a badge, and a set of handcuffs is in the possession of Officer Garland, said badges and handcuffs are the property of the town, and are to be delivered to their successors.

First Annual Report of Board of Health.

In April, 1897, a Board of Health was appointed by the Selectmen.

Four cases have demanded our attention. In two, horses had been improperly buried, and there were two cases of scarlet fever.

GILBERT P. HOYT, } *Board*
 JAMES W. COLEMAN, } *of*
 JOHN M. MOULTON, } *Health.*

Report of Trustees of Cemetery.

RECEIVED.

From Selectmen, bond for S. D. F. Demeritt cemetery trust fund,	\$200 00
Jackson M. Hoyt, amount left in his hands,	12 00
Selectmen, two years' interest on Demeritt fund,	12 00
Estate of John Caldwell, Boston, one hundred dollars, (with accumulated interest,) as a perpetual fund, the interest only to be used for insuring proper care of burial lot, No. 15,	107 00
	\$331 00

PAID.

Jackson M. Hoyt, for grading lots and straightening paths,	\$8 00
J. W. Coleman, for care of Caldwell lot,	2 50

DEMANDS IN FAVOR OF CEMETERY.

S. D. F. Demeritt bond,	200 00
Interest on Demeritt fund in Ports'th Savings Bank.	12 00
John Caldwell fund, with interest, in Portsmouth Savings Bank,	107 00
Amount in Treasury,	1 50
	\$331 00

JAMES W. COLEMAN, FREDERICK PICKERING, BENJAMIN S. HOYT,	}	<i>Trustees of Cemetery.</i>
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Report of Superintendent of Burying Ground.

During the past year I have disposed of burial lots to the following named persons :

Oct. 14, 1897, to Clarence D. Foss, Portsmouth, 1 lot,	\$15 00
Oct. 16, 1897, to Azarial L. Spinney, Portsmouth, 1 lot,	15 00
Dec. 2, 1897, to Joseph H. Garland, Portsmouth, 1 lot,	15 00
Dec. 3, 1897, to Nath. C. Huntress, Portsmouth, 1 lot,	15 00
Jan. 12, 1898, to William Parnham, Portsmouth, 1 lot,	15 00
Jan. 12, 1898, to Adaline E. Nutter, Newington,	1 00
	\$76 00

ENOCH COLEMAN, *Superintendent.*

Births registered in the Town of Newington, for the year ending Dec. 31, 1897.

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Date of birth.	Place of birth.	Name of child.	Living or still-born.	Sex.	Color.	No. of birth.	Name of father.	Maiden name of mother.	Residence of parents.	Color of parents.	Occupation of parents.	Birthplace of father.	Birthplace of mother.	Age of father.	Age of mother.
Jan. 20.	Newington.	John W. Bell.	L	M	w	2	John W. Bell.	Selma Fountain.	Newington.	w	Clergyman. Housewife.	Amesbury, Mass.	Oakland, Cal.	30	29
Feb. 14.	Newington.		L	F	w	3	Israel A. Neill.	A. deRochemont.	Newington.	w	Farmer Housewife.	Maine.	Newington.	32	26
April 25.	Newington.		L	F	w	1	E Oscar Pinkham.	W. de Rochemont.	Newington.	w	Brickmaker. Housewife.	Dover.	Newington.	27	23
June 30.	Newington.		L	F	w	1	Joseph W. Racine.	Eliz. J. Lufkins.	Newington.	w	Shoemaker. Housewife.	Haverhill.	Boston.	31	19
Sept. 28.	Newington.	Effie E. Archibald.	L	F	w	2	Alex. Archibald.	Angeline Stopford.	Newington.	w	Farmer. Housewife.	Nova Scotia	South Berwick.	24	25
Dec. 15.	Newington.		L	M	w	3	Fred L. Ham.	Orra A. Lyman.	Newington.	w	Teamster. Housewife.	Portsmouth	Madison.	31	28

I hereby certify that the above record is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ALBERT E. HODGDON, *Town Clerk.*

Marriages registered in the Town of Newington, for the year ending December 31, 1897.

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Date of marriage.	Place of marriage.	Name and surname of groom and bride.	Residence of each at time of marriage.	Age of each in years.	Color.	Occupation of groom and bride.	Birthplace of each.	Name of parents.	Birthplace of parents.	Occupation of parents.	Number of marriage.	Name, residence, and official station of person by whom married.
Aug. 18.	Newington.	Louis C. Beane.	Newington.	25 w		Farmer.	Newington.	Henry Beane. Margarette Beane.	Washington, Mass.	Farmer.	1	Rev. John W. Bell. Newington, N. H.
Aug. 18.	Newington.	Abbie A. Rollins.	Newington.	21 w		Teacher.	Newington.	William Rollins. Emma Rollins.	Milton, Mass. Newington.	Housewife. Farmer.	1	
Oct. 13.	Newington.	John J. Greenough.	Newington.	39 w		Farmer.	North Berwick.	John Greenough. Ann B. Greenough.	Newport, Me.	Farmer.	1	Rev. John W. Bell. Newington, N. H.
Oct. 13.	Newington.	Hattie M. Hook.	Concord.	29 w		Teacher.	Chichester.	James Hook. Frances A. Hook.	Chichester.	Housewife. Farmer.	1	
Nov. 8.	Newington.	Granville W. Knox.	Newington.	65 w		Farmer.	Berwick.	Augustus Knox. Eliza Knox.	Pembroke.	Farmer.	2	Rev. John W. Bell. Newington, N. H.
Nov. 8.	Newington.	Abra H. Garrett.	Portsmouth.	63 w			Portsmouth.	James Roberts. Elizabeth Adams.	Berwick, Me. New Durham.	Housewife. Shoemaker.	2	
Dec. 28.	Newington.	Frederick Pickering.	Newington.	48 w		Farmer.	Newington.	James A. Pickering. Susan E. Pickering.	Newington.	Housewife. Farmer.	1	Rev. John W. Bell. Newington, N. H.
Dec. 28.	Newington.	Faith E. Staples.	Newington.	32 w		At home.	Newington.	Frances M. Staples.	Durham.	Housewife.	1	

I hereby certify that the above record is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ALBERT E. HODGDON, *Town Clerk.*

Deaths registered in the Town of Newington, for the year ending December 31, 1897.

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Date of death.	Name.	Sex.	Color.	Married, single, or widowed.	Years.	Months.	Days.	Occupation.	Place of birth.	Diseases or causes of death.	Name of father.	Maiden name of mother.	Birthplace of father.	Birthplace of mother.
March 14.	Elias Frink.	M w	M 84	1	6				Newington.	Bronchitis.	Cyrus Frink.	Abigail Nutter.	Hartford, Ct.	Newington.
March 26.	John W. Peverly.	M w	S 69	10	28			Farmer.	Newington.	La Grippe.	Kinsman Peverly.	Harriett Nutter.	Newington.	Newington.
July 22.	Elizabeth Nutter.	F w	W 86						Newington.	Old age.	John H. Downing.	Olive Bickford.	Newington.	Newington.
August 31.	William G. Cogger.	M w	S 22						St. John, N. B.	Drowning.	Bryan Cogger.	Elizabeth Kelley.	St. John, N. B.	St. John, N. B.
Nov. 16.	Ariadna N. Trefethen.	F w	M 72	11				Laborer.	Newington.	Cancer of breast.	James Nutter.	Hannah Leathers.	Newington.	Newington.

I hereby certify that the above record is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ALBERT E. HODGDON, *Town Clerk.*

